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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10:00 to 13:00

Informal consultations (closed)

Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 136 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019 (A/72/6 (Introduction), A/72/6 (Introduction) Corr.1*, A/72/6 (Sect. 1), A/72/6 (Sect. 2), A/72/6 (Sect. 3)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 4)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 4) Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 5)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 5) Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 6)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 7), A/72/6 (Sect. 7) Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 8)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 8) Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 9), A/72/6 (Sect. 10)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 11)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 12), A/72/6 (Sect. 12) Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 14), A/72/6 (Sect. 15)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 16)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 17)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 18)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 19), A/72/6 (Sect. 20)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 21), A/72/6 (Sect. 22), A/72/6 (Sect. 23), A/72/6 (Sect. 24), A/72/6 (Sect. 24) Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 25), A/72/6 (Sect. 26), A/72/6 (Sect. 26) Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 27), A/72/6 (Sect. 28)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 29), A/72/6 (Sect. 29A), A/72/6 (Sect. 29B), A/72/6 (Sect. 29C), A/72/6 (Sect. 29C) Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 29C) Corr.2, A/72/6 (Sect. 29D)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 29E), A/72/6 (Sect. 29F)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 29G), A/72/6 (Sect. 29H)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 30), A/72/6 (Sect. 31), A/72/6 (Sect. 32)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 33), A/72/6 (Sect. 33) Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 34)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 35), A/72/6 (Sect. 36), A/72/6 (Income sect. 1), A/72/6 (Income sect. 2) and A/72/6 (Income sect. 3))



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15:00 to 18:00

Informal consultations (closed)

Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 136 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019:

Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute on the work programme of the Institute for 2018-2019 (A/72/369 and A/72/7/Add.2)

Revised estimates relating to the Office of Counter-Terrorism under section 3, Political affairs, section 29D, Office of Central Support Services, and section 36, Staff assessment (A/72/117 and A/72/7/Add.1))

[The *list of speakers* for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Fifth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to send an e-mail to fifthcommittee@un.org. In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Room Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy to the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org), prior to the start of the meeting.

The *composition of delegations*, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal at <https://delegate.un.int>. Further details can be found in document A/INF/72/2.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee is available at <http://www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/>.

Sixth Committee

15:00 to 17:00

Informal consultations (closed)

Trusteeship Council Chamber

Administration of justice at the United Nations [item 146]

[Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the seventy-second session of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of the delivery to papersmart6@un.org.

The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the Sixth Committee PaperSmart portal ([click here](#)) only when read out by the delegation. Delegations are nonetheless requested also to provide *30 hard copies* of their statements to the conference officers at each meeting of the Committee. The *lists of speakers* for the debate on all agenda items allocated to the Sixth Committee are open for inscription. Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States should be submitted through the e-Speakers module on the e-deleGATE portal (please [click here](#)).

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription. Delegations may also contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (6thcommittee@un.org (tel. 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)) in order to inscribe on the respective lists of speakers.

Intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, as well as the United Nations system, funds and programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the *lists of speakers* for the debate on agenda items allocated to the Sixth Committee should submit their requests directly to the secretariat of the Sixth Committee.

Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/71/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Alternatively, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers may be registered electronically through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE portal, which is expected to become available during the

course of October 2017. For information regarding access to the e-deleGATE portal, please contact the DGACM Helpdesk (e-mail help-desk@un.org).

Representatives of Member States and of observers, involved in the work of the Sixth Committee at the seventy-second session, are invited to register for the Sixth Committee email list through the online form available on the website of the Sixth Committee. The email list will be used for communicating information concerning the work of the Committee and related events. Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee.

Further background information on the Sixth Committee, including information concerning the seventy-second session, is available on the Committee's website.

The meetings of the Sixth Committee will be webcast live on UN Web TV. Archive videos will also be available on the UN Web TV dedicated Committee page.]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
1. World Food Programme		
2. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council: Thematic cluster III: Regional offices, offices in support of political processes and other missions		
3. Executive meeting		

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

Forty-fifth session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 19 October 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251 and A/72/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Moderation" (under agenda item 15) (convened by the delegation of Malaysia)

10:00

Conference Room E

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The role of the United Nations Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia" (under agenda item 65) (convened by the delegation of Turkmenistan)

11:30 to 13:00

Conference Room 8

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.16, entitled "Promotion of international cooperation to combat illicit financial flows in order to foster sustainable development" (under agenda item 17) (convened by the delegation of Senegal)

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room B

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.4, entitled "Combating sand and dust storms" (under agenda item 19 (j)) (convened by the delegation of Turkey)

13:00 to 15:00

Conference Room B

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.18, entitled "Follow-up to and implementation of the outcomes of the International Conferences on Financing for Development" (under agenda item 18) (convened by the delegation of Cyprus)

15:00 to 18:00

Conference Room B

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.6, entitled "Science, Technology and innovation for development" (under agenda item 21 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

15:00 to 18:00

Conference Room F

Third Committee

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/72/L.6, entitled "Improving the coordination of efforts against trafficking in persons" (under agenda item 107) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

09:00 to 10:30

Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Rights of the Child" (under agenda item 68) (convened by the delegations of the European Union and the Group of Latin American and Caribbean Countries (GRULAC))

11:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 7

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Follow-up to the Second World Assembly on Ageing" (under agenda item 28 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Argentina (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China))

13:00 to 15:00

Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Policies and programmes involving Youth" (under agenda item 27) (convened by the delegation of Portugal)

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 9

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly" (under agenda item 27 (a)) (convened by the Delegation of Brazil)

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room F

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Improvement of the situations of the women and girls in rural areas" (under agenda item 28 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Mongolia)

15:00 to 18:00

Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity" (under agenda item 107) (convened by the delegation of Italy)

15:00 to 16:30

Conference Room 11

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International cooperation to address and counter the world drug problem" (under agenda item 108) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

16:30 to 18:00

Conference Room 11

Sixth Committee

Informal consultation on the draft resolution entitled "The rule of law at the national and international levels" (under agenda item 84) (convened by the delegations of Liechtenstein and Mexico)

10:00 to 11:30

Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission" (under agenda item 78) (convened by the delegation of Pakistan)

13:15 to 14:30

Trusteeship Council Chamber

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

09:00 to 13:00

Closed meeting

Conference Room D

13:15 to 14:30

Closed meeting

Conference Room D

Group of 77 (on Third Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 11:00

Closed meeting

Conference Room 6

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00

Closed meeting

Economic and Social Council Chamber

High-level event on "Addressing the Climate Change-Migration Nexus and its Implications for Peace and Security in Africa" (A/RES/71/320) (co-organized by the African Union Permanent Observer Mission to the United Nations, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the Department of Public Information (DPI), the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Planning and Coordinating Agency and the African Peer Review Mechanism)

10:00 to 13:00

[webcast]

Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org), or Mr. Jean-Victor Nkolo (e-mail nkolo@un.org)); or [click here](#).

International Criminal Court: Facilitation on the activation of the Court's jurisdiction over the crime of aggression

11:30 to 13:00

Closed meeting

Conference Room 6

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group (Working Group on amendments)

15:00 to 18:00

Closed meeting

Conference Room 6

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Friday, 20 October 2017

10:00

33rd plenary meeting

General Assembly Hall

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support: reports of the Secretary-General (A/72/223 and A/72/269) [items 66 (a) and (b)]

2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa [item 13]

Joint debate

General Committee

Monday, 23 October 2017

- 15:00 2nd meeting (closed) Economic and Social Council Chamber
- Organization of work of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items [item 7]
- (a) Complete withdrawal of foreign military forces from the territory of the Republic of Moldova (A/72/193)
 - (b) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/72/231)
 - (c) Observer status for the Fund for the Development of Indigenous Peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean in the General Assembly (A/72/232 (to be issued))
 - (d) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (A/72/233)
 - (e) Impact of the exponential technological change on sustainable development and peace (A/72/234 (to be issued))

Main Committees**First Committee**

Friday, 20 October 2017

- 10:00 to 13:00 18th meeting Conference Room 4
- Continuation of its consideration of the conventional weapons cluster as part of the thematic discussion on specific subjects and introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items (items 52 (b) and 90 to 106)

Fifth Committee

Friday, 20 October 2017

- 10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5
- 15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

Friday, 20 October 2017

- 11:30 285th meeting (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber
- Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee (Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; Room S-3632)). The meeting *will not be open* to members of the press or the public.
- Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of

the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, *at least 48 hours prior to the meeting*, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5).

Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements *in advance of the meeting*.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Special meeting on the "Aftermath of recent hurricanes and earthquakes: Achieving a risk-informed and resilient 2030 Agenda"

Tuesday, 24 October 2017

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 2

The President of the Council (Czech Republic) will convene the special meeting to highlight the economic, social and ecological dimensions of the recent hurricanes and earthquakes, and to enhance coordination in response, recovery, rehabilitation, reconstruction and development efforts in the aftermath. The meeting will comprise of an interactive panel discussion and there will be no pre-determined list of speakers. A time limit of *three minutes* per intervention will be observed.

All are invited to attend. Delegations are requested to submit, in writing, *no later than Friday, 20 October 2017*, the names of the representatives attending the special meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the conclusion of the 2018 session of the Council.

Additional information and background documentation on the special meeting is available on the website of the Council (please *click here*). For further information, please contact Ms. Sibel Selcuk, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail selcuk@un.org).

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251 and A/72/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.9, entitled "Commodities" (under agenda item 17 (d)) (convened by the delegation of Greece)

Friday, 20 October 2017

09:00 to 10:00

Conference Room B

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.12, entitled "United Nations Decade of Family Farming (2019-2028)" (under agenda item 25) (convened by the delegation of Costa Rica)

Friday, 20 October 2017

10:00 to 12:00

Permanent Mission of France
(245 East 47th St., 44th Floor)**Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.2, entitled "Strengthening the links between all modes of transport to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals" (under agenda item 19) (convened by the delegation of Turkmenistan)**

Friday, 20 October 2017

13:00 to 15:00

Conference Room B

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/71/L.14, entitled "Disaster risk reduction" (under item 19 (c)) (convened by the delegation of Peru)

Friday, 20 October 2017

15:00 to 17:00

Conference Room B

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.19, entitled "International Financial system and development" (under agenda item 18 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Algeria)

Friday, 20 October 2017

15:00 to 17:00

Conference Room E

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.13, entitled "Culture and sustainable development" (under agenda item 21 (c)) (convened by the delegation of Canada)

Friday, 20 October 2017

17:00 to 18:00

Conference Room B

*Third Committee***Informal informal consultation on the draft resolution entitled "International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Afghanistan)**

Friday, 20 October 2017

09:00 to 10:00

Conference Room C

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "The Human Right to safe drinking water and sanitation" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and Spain)

Friday, 20 October 2017

10:00 to 11:30

Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/72/L.7, entitled "Promoting social integration through social inclusion" (under item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Peru)

Friday, 20 October 2017

11:30 to 13:00

Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “Strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization” (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the United States)

Friday, 20 October 2017

13:00 to 15:00

Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “National institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights (NHRIs)” (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Germany)

Friday, 20 October 2017

15:00 to 16:30

Conference Room 11

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled “Rights of the Child” (under agenda item 68 (a)) (convened by the delegations of the European Union and the Group of Latin American and Caribbean Countries (GRULAC))

Friday, 20 October 2017

15:00 to 17:00

Conference Room 8

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “Effective promotion of the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities entitled” (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Austria)

Friday, 20 October 2017

15:30 to 18:00

Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled “The Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly) (under agenda item 27 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Brazil (on behalf of China and the Group of 77))

Friday, 20 October 2017

17:00 to 18:30

Conference Room 11

Forthcoming other meetings

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Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (plenary meeting)

Friday, 20 October 2017

10:00 to 13:00

Closed meeting

Conference Room 12

Briefing to Member States on the “United Nations Register of Conventional Arms and the United Nations Report on Military Expenditures” (A/RES/70/21) (organized by the Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA))

Friday, 20 October 2017

13:15 to 14:45

Conference Room E

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sigma Rahman, UNODA (e-mail rahman63@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9895).

High-level event “Empowering Women in the Sahel through climate-resilient agriculture” (on the occasion of the International Day of Rural Women (A/RES/62/136)) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of France, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and SOS Sahel)

Friday, 20 October 2017

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 9

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Samantha Walsh, SOS Sahel (e-mail samantha@faircomny.com).

Event entitled “Reconciliation and Peace in Colombia: The Impact of the Visit of Pope Francis” (A/RES/70/181) (co-organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, the Permanent Mission of Colombia and Caritas Internationalis)

Friday, 20 October 2017

15:00 to 17:00

Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885); to register, please *click here*.

Open-ended informal consultations on the “Third Review Conference of States (RevCon3) to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects” (A/RES/71/48) (organized by Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA))

Friday, 20 October 2017

16:00 to 18:00

Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact Ms. Katja Boettcher, UNODA (e-mail boettcher@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-7003); or *click here*.

Twenty-eighth informal meeting of Legal Advisers (A/RES/71/140) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

Monday, 23 October 2017

15:00 to 18:00

Trusteeship Council Chamber

Tuesday, 24 October 2017

15:00 to 18:00

Trusteeship Council Chamber

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecilia Anderberg, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail cecilia.anderberg@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2508).

Informal discussion on "How international cases are prepared, presented, argued and managed before the International Court of Justice (ICJ) and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS)" (A/RES/71/147) (organized by the Asian African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO))

Tuesday, 24 October 2017

8:00 to 9:30

Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Roy S. Lee, AALCO (e-mail royslee@optonline.net; tel. 1 (203) 595-9800).

Event entitled "Stopping the erosion of media freedom: Challenges, opportunities and solutions" (A/RES/70/162) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Latvia)

Wednesday, 25 October 2017

13:15 to 14:45

Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ieva Runģe, Permanent Mission of Latvia (e-mail ieva.runge@mfa.gov.lv; tel. 1 (212) 838-8877).

Non-Aligned Movement (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 26 October 2017

10:00 to 13:00

Closed meeting

Economic and Social Council Chamber

Announcements**Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions**

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *October 2017*:

*Introduction to United Nations Documents**Finding Speeches*

*Voting Information**General Assembly Documentation (English – French)**UN Regular Budget Documentation**Security Council Documentation**Introduction to Library Services*

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar ([click here](#)).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

In addition to the training offered, the Library will be hosting the following events:

Africa Week event: Presentation of NEPAD publications to the Library, *today*, 19 October 2017, in the Reading Room, Second Floor.

Africa Yearbook Online

To register for this session, please sign [click here](#).

Press kit for the seventy-second session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free.

Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website ([click here](#)).

**2018 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Africa: Deadline for applications
Friday, 20 October 2017**

The 2018 United Nations Regional Course for Africa will be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 5 February to 2 March 2018.

This course *is open for candidates from Member States of the United Nations*, which are also members of the regional group of African States. Applications for the 2018 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Africa are now being accepted.

The *deadline* for applications is *Friday, 20 October 2017*. The 2018 Regional Course for Africa will be conducted in English.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses ([click here](#)); or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org).

Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department of Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

The *Repertoire* is available in the six official languages of the United Nations. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available.

For copies of this volume and all previous Supplements, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288). The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Parts I, V and X of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire* section of the website of the Security Council.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2017 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by [clicking here](#).

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

 [archived video]

13th meeting

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [item 52]

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Mongolia, Cameroon, South Africa, Iraq, Japan, the United Arab Emirates, India, the Republic of Korea, the United States, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Brazil, Ecuador, Algeria, Nepal and Malawi.

The Observer of the Holy See also made a statement.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Korea.

The Committee thus concluded its general debate of the item.

Action on draft resolutions and draft decision relating to the agenda item on the peaceful uses of outer space

The Chair (the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) informed the Committee that the draft proposals being considered under agenda item 52 did not contain programme budget implications.

The Chair of the Working Group of the Whole on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, Mr. David Kendall (Canada), reported to the Committee on the discussions in the Working Group.

Action on draft resolution A/C.4/72/L.2

The Chair of the Working Group of the Whole on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space orally revised draft resolution A/C.4/72/L.2.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/72/L.2, as orally revised, without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.4/72/L.3

The Chair of the Working Group of the Whole on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space orally revised draft resolution A/C.4/72/L.3.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/72/L.3, as orally revised, without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.4/72/L.4

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/72/L.4 without a vote.

Action on draft decision A/C.4/72/L.8

A statement was made by the representative of Canada in its capacity as the main sponsor of draft decision A/C.4/72/L.8.

The Secretary announced that Argentina, Belarus, Belgium, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kiribati, Latvia, Luxembourg, Malta, Micronesia (Federated States of), Montenegro, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland had joined in sponsoring the draft decision.

Subsequently, the representative of Belarus withdrew his country as a sponsor of the draft decision.

The representative of Mexico made a statement.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Saudi Arabia (on behalf of the League of Arab States), the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Committee adopted draft decision A/C.4/72/L.8 by a recorded vote of 124 to 22, with 6 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Israel and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

A statement was also made by the representative of Kiribati.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 52.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Wednesday, 18 October 2017

Security Council

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8072nd meeting

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brazil, Cuba, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Maldives, Morocco, Namibia, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, the Syrian Arab Republic, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited the Permanent Observer of the Observer State of Palestine to the United Nations to participate in the meeting in accordance with the provisional rules of procedure and the Council's previous practice.

The President invited Mr. Miroslav Jenča, Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Her Excellency Joanne Adamson, Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations, and Her Excellency Anayansi Rodríguez Camejo, Vice-Chair of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited the Permanent Observer of the Observer State of the Holy See to the United Nations to participate in the meeting in accordance with the provisional rules of procedure and the Council's previous practice.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Jenča.

The Council heard a statement by the Permanent Observer of the Observer State of Palestine.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Israel.

Statements were made by the representative of the United States, Sweden, Senegal, the Russian Federation, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Japan, Ukraine, Italy, Egypt, the United Kingdom, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan, China and Uruguay; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of France.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Samuel Moncada, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (speaking on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Lebanon, Brazil, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Indonesia, Peru, Pakistan and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Council heard a statement by the Permanent Observer of the Observer State of the Holy See.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Kuwait, South Africa, Namibia, Bangladesh and Morocco.

The Council heard a statement by Her Excellency Joanne Adamson (speaking on behalf of the European Union and its member States; the candidate countries Montenegro and Albania, which aligned themselves with the statement).

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Qatar.

The Council heard a statement by Her Excellency Anayansi Rodríguez Camejo.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the United Arab Emirates, Nigeria, Jordan, Cuba, Maldives, Norway, Turkey, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and Malaysia.

The representative of Israel made a further statement.

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

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32nd plenary meeting

Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General (A/72/266) [item 75]

International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals: note by the Secretary-General (A/72/261) [item 129]

Joint debate

Statements were made by Judge Carmel Agius, President of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, and Judge Theodor Meron, President of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals.

Statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand (also on behalf of Canada and Australia), the European Union (also on behalf its member States, Albania, Montenegro, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Ukraine), Slovenia, Rwanda, Serbia, Mexico, Chile, the Russian Federation, Guatemala and the United States.

The General Assembly took note of the twenty-fourth and final annual report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (decision 72/507).

The representative of Turkey made a statement.

The General Assembly took note of the fifth annual report of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals (decision 72/508).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda items 75 and 129.

Main Committees

First Committee

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17th meeting

Thematic discussion

The Committee continued the second phase of its work, namely, thematic discussions on specific subjects and the introduction and consideration of draft resolutions and

decisions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 52 (b) and 90 to 106).

Briefing by His Excellency Farukh Amil, Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations and international organizations in Geneva, on behalf of the President of the Fifth Review Conference of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects, Her Excellency Tehmina Janjua.

The meeting was suspended for an informal question-and-answer period.

The meeting was resumed.

The Chair made a statement.

The Committee began its discussion on conventional weapons.

Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM)), Finland (on behalf of the Nordic Countries), Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Egypt (on behalf of the African Group), the European Union, on behalf of its member States and candidate countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania, as well as Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the Republic of Moldova, Switzerland, Austria, who also introduced draft resolution A/C.1/72/L.40, entitled "Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their destruction, Italy, Australia, Japan, who also introduced draft resolution A/C.1/72/L.27, entitled "The Arms Trade Treaty" and draft resolution A/C.1/72/L.56, entitled "The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects", India, France, Paraguay, the United Kingdom, the United States, Egypt, Senegal, Guatemala, Mexico, Germany, who also introduced draft resolution A/C.1/72/L.41 (to be issued), entitled "Implementation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions" and draft resolution A/C.1/72/L.43, entitled "Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunitions stockpiles in surplus", Costa Rica, Jamaica, Haiti, Bangladesh, the Netherlands, the Republic of Korea and Norway.

The representatives of the Russian Federation, Argentina, Myanmar, the United States, Poland and the United Kingdom made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

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14th meeting

Organization of work

The representative of India made a statement, to which the Chair (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) responded.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran and Egypt.

The Committee decided to revise its programme of work as contained in document A/C.4/72/L.1, by not holding formal meetings on Thursday, 19 October, to mark the observance of Diwali.

Questions relating to information [item 57]

The Rapporteur of the Committee on Information (Japan) introduced the report of the Committee on Information, contained in document A/72/21.

The Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications of the Department of Public Information introduced the Report of the Secretary-General on Questions relating to Information, contained in document A/72/258.

In the ensuing interactive dialogue, questions were posed by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and the United Republic of Tanzania, to which the Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information responded.

General debate

The Committee began its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Trinidad and Tobago (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), El Salvador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States), Burkina Faso (on behalf of the Group of Francophone Ambassadors), Indonesia (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), Brazil (on behalf of the Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries), Peru (on behalf of the Group of Friends of Spanish), the European Union, Argentina, Paraguay, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Guatemala and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Organization of work

The Vice-Chair (the United Arab Emirates) made a statement.

Second Committee

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19th meeting

Implementation of the outcomes of the United Nations Conferences on Human Settlements and on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) [item 20]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

Introductory statement followed by "question time"

The Committee heard an introductory statement by the Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (via video-link).

The Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme responded to comments made and questions raised by the representative of Nigeria, as well as by the observer for the European Union.

General discussion

The Committee began its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Brunei Darussalam (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), El Salvador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States), Bangladesh (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries), Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), India, Malaysia, China, the Philippines, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Indonesia, the Russian Federation, the Syrian Arab Republic, Saudi Arabia, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Ethiopia, Thailand, Nepal, Gabon, Kenya, Brazil, Nigeria, Mexico, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Senegal and Malawi.

A statement was also made by the representative of the International Organization for Migration.

The Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme made some remarks.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 20.

Third Committee

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23rd meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights [item 72]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the sub-items.

Introductory statements

The Committee heard an introductory statement by the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism, who responded to the questions posed and the comments made by the representatives of Morocco, Belgium, Mexico, the European Union, Qatar, the United States, Kenya, the Russian Federation, Switzerland, Norway, Cuba, Maldives, Iraq, Ireland, the United Kingdom, France, the Netherlands and Saudi Arabia.

The Committee also heard an introductory statement by the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers, who responded to the questions posed and the comments made by the representatives of Colombia, the Russian Federation, Kenya, Maldives, Qatar, the European Union, the United States, Cuba and Guatemala.

The Chair made a statement in response to the question posed by the representative of Kenya.

The Committee Secretary also made a statement.

The Committee also heard an introductory statement by the Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights, who responded to the questions posed and the comments made by the representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (also on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), the Sudan, the Russian Federation, the United States, Cuba, South Africa, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Algeria, Qatar, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Syrian Arab Republic, Bahrain and Egypt.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Corrigendum to the summary of the 21st meeting of the Third Committee (see Journal No. 2017/200, p. 21): in the second paragraph under the header "Introductory statements", the summary should read as follows:

The Committee also heard an introductory statement by the Chief of the Intergovernmental Affairs, Outreach and Programme Support Section of the Office of

the High Commissioner for Human Rights, who responded to the questions posed and the comments made by the representatives of Egypt (also on behalf of Afghanistan, Algeria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Benin, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Egypt, Gabon, the Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Libya, Malaysia, the Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Mozambique, the Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, the Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, the Sudan, Suriname, Tajikistan, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, the United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan and Yemen; as well as the observer for the State of Palestine), Azerbaijan and Egypt (on behalf of the African Group).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment of the text and annexes II to IX to the Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone and the addition of new annexes X and XI. Geneva, 4 May 2012

Acceptance: Netherlands (18 October 2017)

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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

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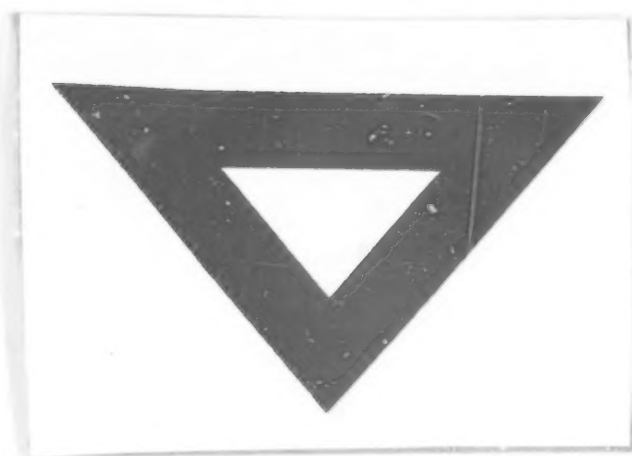
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